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TITLE: Benzodiazepine-induced hyperphagia: development and assessment of a 3D pharmacophore by computational methods
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AB   Benzodiazepine receptor (BDZR) ligands are structurally diverse compds. that bind to specific binding sites on GABAA receptors and allosterically modulate the effect of GABA on chloride ion flux. The binding of BDZR ligands to this receptor system results in activity at multiple behavioral endpoints, including anxiolytic, sedative, anticonvulsant, and hyperphagic effects. In the work presented here, a computational procedure developed in our lab. has been used to obtain a 3D pharmacophore for ligand recognition of the GABAA/BDZRs initiating the hyperphagic response. To accomplish this goal, 17 structurally diverse compds., previously assessed in our lab. for activity at the hyperphagic endpoint, were used. The result is a four-component 3D pharmacophore. It consists of two proton acceptor atoms, the centroid of an arom. ring and the centroid of a **hydroph**obic moiety in a common **geometric** arrangement in all compds. with activity at this endpoint. This 3D pharmacophore was then assessed and successfully validated using three different tests. First, two BDZR ligands, which were included as neg. controls in the set of seventeen compds. used for the pharmacophore development, did not fit the pharmacophore. Second, some benzodiazepine ligands known to have activity at the hyperphagia endpoint, but not included in the pharmacophore development, were used as pos. controls and were found to fit the pharmacophore. Finally, using the 3D pharmacophore developed in

the present work to **search** 3D **database**s, over 50 classical benzodiazepines were found. Among them, were benzodiazepine ligands known to have an effect at the hyperphagic endpoint. In addn., the novel compds. also found in this **search** are promising therapeutic agents that could beneficially affect feeding behavior.

AB The de novo **design** of peptides and proteins has emerged as an attractive approach for investigating protein **structure** and function. Here, the **design**, synthesis, and characterization of a new series of alpha-helical peptides intended to form antiparallel four-stranded coiled coils is described. **Computer** models were generated without the use of extant protein **structure**s and were used to refine the sequence. The peptides are of the general formula Ncap-(X-aZ-bZ-cL-dZ-eZ-fZ-g)-3-Ccap, where X is either Ala, Val, Thr, or Leu, and Ncap and Ccap are sequences **design**ed to satisfy the helices unpaired amide nitrogens and carbonyl oxygens, respectively. The **hydroph**obic residues (at positions a and d) were chosen so that **geometric** packing of large and small **hydroph**obes would favor an antiparallel arrangement. Special attention was also given to residues at the helix-helix interfaces. These residues were chosen to balance potential attractive and repulsive electrostatic forces so that the desired topology was favored while other possible folds were destabilized. Two of the four peptides associate under neutral conditions into the desired tetramers. One of the complexes (a = Val) behaves like a native-like protein as judged by NMR, thermodynamics, and apolar dye (ANS) binding. The other tetrameric complex (a = Leu) exhibits broader NMR resonances, diminished values of DELTA-H and DELTA-C-p, and tight binding of the **hydroph**obic dye ANS, similar to early **design**ed proteins. These results reinforce the importance of optimizing van der Waals packing interactions in protein **design** but demonstrate that **hydroph**obic packing must be balanced with hydrogen-bonding and

electrostatic interactions to produce novel native-like proteins.

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DOCUMENT NUMBER: 124:169926
TITLE: WPDB-PC Windows-based interrogation of macromolecular
                structure
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SOURCE: J. Appl. Crystallogr. (1995), 28(6), 847-52
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AB   WPDB version 2.0 is a Microsoft-Windows-based program for browsing and
        interrogating native and derived structural features of biol. macromols.
        using data obtained from the Protein Data Bank (PDB). Major features of
        WPDB are a 20-fold compression of PDB files and query and anal. tools.
        The latter permit the **geometric** and sequence properties of
        structures to be analyzed individually or through comparative anal. The
        object-oriented software **design** provides a high level of
        interaction between display windows, which facilitates information
        discovery. Three examples are given to illustrate the capabilities of the
        software, namely: location of the distribution of the most
        hydrophobic residues in the acid proteases; exploration of the
        geometric features of a 4-helix bundle motif; and examn. of the
        effect of antibody binding by comparison of a neuraminidase with a
        neuraminidase-antibody complex. Addnl. details are available to World
        Wide Web (WWW) users at the URL
   http://www.sdsc.edu/CCMS/Packages/wpdb.htm
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L3   ANSWER 4 OF 5   MEDLINE
ACCESSION NUMBER: 89199601   MEDLINE
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 89199601 PubMed ID: 2539476
TITLE: Analysis of the in vitro antiviral activity of certain
              ribonucleosides against parainfluenza virus using a novel
              computer aided receptor modeling procedure.
AUTHOR: Ghose A K; Crippen G M; Revankar G R; McKernan P A; Smee D
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CORPORATE SOURCE: Nucleic Acid **Research** Institute, Costa Mesa, California
              92626.
CONTRACT NUMBER: GM 37123 (NIGMS)
SOURCE: JOURNAL OF MEDICINAL CHEMISTRY, (1989 Apr) 32 (4) 746-
56.

AB   The in vitro antiviral activity of 28 nucleosides against the
     parainfluenza virus type 3 has been analyzed by using a novel
     computer aided receptor modeling procedure. The method involves an
     extensive modification of our earlier work (Ghose, A. K.; Crippen, G. M.
     J. Med. Chem. 1985, 28, 333). It presents a more straightforward algorithm
     for the steps that suffered from subjectivity in the earlier method. The
     method first determines the possible low-energy conformations of the
     nucleosides, and assigns a priority value for each conformation of each
     molecule. It then performs the following steps repeatedly, until it finds
     an acceptable solution. Starting from the conformation of highest
     priority, the various energetically allowed conformations of the other
     molecules are superimposed on it. On the basis of the physicochemical
     property matching (or overlapping), the best superposition is determined.
     The superimposed molecules are dissected into a minimum number of parts
     and the local physicochemical properties at different regions are
     correlated with their binding data (antiviral activity). A modified
     version of distance **geometry** has been used for **geometric**
     comparison of the **structure** of the molecules. On the basis of
     the virus rating (VR) of 28 ribonucleosides, this procedure hypothesized
     the minimum-energy conformation of 6-(methylthio)-9-beta-D-
     ribofuranosylpurine as a reference conformation and used three
     physicochemical properties, namely **hydroph**obicity, molar
     refractivity, and formal charge density for property matching. The
     binding-site cavity was divided into seven regions or pockets to
     differentiate the nature of interaction quantitatively. The model suggests
     that the 2- and 3-positions of the purine ring and the corresponding atoms
     of the other rings get some steric repulsion, and nucleosides having a
     single five-membered heterocyclic ring will better fit this virus. The
     methylthio group gets a strong attraction from dispersive interaction.
     Both **hydroph**ilic and dispersive groups are attractive here.
     Although our calculation supports the previously suggested active
     conformation of ribavirin, it shows that it is not the global
     minimum-energy conformation. The difference lies in the orientation of the
     amide group. The calculated viral rating from this model showed a
     correlation coefficient of 0.971 with the observed values, and the
     explained variance and the standard deviation of the fit were 0.880 and
     0.125, respectively.

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1989:434696 CAPLUS
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 111:34696
TITLE: **Computer** based method for protein
                engineering
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SOURCE: PCT Int. Appl., 79 pp.
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AB   A **computer**-based method and app. for identifying sites in a
protein which can be converted to cysteine residues to create a
potentially protein-stabilizing disulfide bond is described. A central
processing unit (CPU) is connected to a massbus which connects the CPU to
storage devices which store the **database** contg. the amino acid sequences
and the application software package. A **computer**-generated
graphics system receives images from the CPU to be displayed. The display
allows an expert operator to view each potentially protein-stabilizing
disulfide bond and rank them from most likely to stabilize an engineered
protein to those least likely to stabilize it. The method comprises (1)
examg. each selected pair of amino acid residues to det. if they contain
certain atoms whose relative 3D positions possess a **geometric**
conformation similar to the corresponding atoms of a known disulfide
bridge; (2) examg. amino acid pairs identified in step 1 to det. if the
new atoms of a possible disulfide linkage can be accommodated without
creating unacceptable hindrance; (3) permitting the expert operator to
view the sites which can accommodate the disulfide bridge without altering
the tertiary **structure** of the protein and to rank the sites; and
(4) evaluating the ranked sites according to expert rule criteria (e.g.
Would evolutionarily conserved amino acids be lost. Would formation of
the linkage result in loss of favorable **hydroph**obic
interactions). The method was successfully applied in introducing
stabilizing disulfide bonds into subtilisin BPN'.

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1992:425570 CAPLUS
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TITLE: 3D database searching in drug design
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AB Three-dimensional (3D) searching programs test thousands of chem. structures for a match of 3D criteria. Such programs have been used to design new bioactive mols. and to recognize new biol. properties in known mols. The 3D search criteria may be derived from an exptl. 3D structure of a macromol. binding site or from mol. modeling of ligands. The programs search databases of structures derived from crystallog. observations or theor. calcns. Alternatively, they may generate the 3D structure as part of the search process. Various available searching strategies emphasize geometric or shape characteristics of the mols. identified. Programs that design mols. to match 3D criteria are a related area of active research. The investigation of strategies for examn. of all possible conformations of the mols. is a 2nd area of active research. Others are evaluating strategies to make the searches more efficient. Thus, 3D searching is possible today and will be more powerful in the future.

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1991:80616 CAPLUS
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 114:80616
TITLE: Computer design of potentially bioactive molecules by geometric searching with ALADDIN
AUTHOR(S): Martin, Yvonne C.
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AB Structurally novel potential dopamine agonists were designed by searching databases of 3-dimensional (3D) structures to find templates that match geometric criteria and can be modified into mols. suggested for synthesis. A search of 3D structures (54,296) from 3 different databases generated 499 structurally unique mols. that

meet the **geometric** criteria for D-2 dopaminergic activity. The **search** identified 8 of 9 classes of known fused ring phenolic dopaminergic compds. and 62 other classes of fused ring compds. with potential activity. The low obsd. frequency of finding the same ring class more than once suggests that addnl. **search**es will **design** many addnl. mols. Compd. **design** based on 3D sub**structure search**ing methods appears to be equally applicable to suggesting new classes of compds. for beginning or for mature medicinal chem. investigations and does not require the construction of special libraries of templates.